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FM AMEMBASSY PARAMARIBO
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C O N F I D E N T I A L PARAMARIBO 539

E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: FURTHER ON SURINAM-LUYANA RELATIONS

REF: A. PARAMARIBO 521; B. PARAMARIBO 528

1. IN CONVERSATION WITH EMBOFF APRIL 14 GUYANESE EMBOFF
REPORTED HIS VIEW THAT SURINAMERS ARE BEING "FIRM" IN THEIR
RESPONSE TO PROTEST NOTE DELIVERED BY GUYANESE AMBASSADOR
SAUL TO PRIME MINISTER ARRON APRIL 12 AND ARE "TURNING ON
THE PRESSURE" IN THE PRESS AND PUBLIC. ACCORDING TO
GUYANESE EMBASSY SOURCE, SURINAM'S FOREIGN AFFAIRS DIRECTOR
HEINEMANN HAS ALREADY GIVEN SAUL PRELIMINARY ORAL RESPONSE
TO NOTE (DESCRIBING IT AS HIS RECOMMENDATIONS) TO THE EFFECT
THAT ALLEGED INCIDENTS INVOLVING GUYANESE WOULD BE LOOKED
INTO, SURCNAMERS WOULD NOT GO TO GEORGETOWN TO TALK, AND
BORDER QUESTIONS WOULD REQUIRE FURTHER STUDY.
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2. GUYANESE EMBOFF STATED HE HAD THOUGHT SURINAMERS
HAD AGREED TO HAVE NO PUBLICITY REGARDING THE PROTEST
NOTE'S CONTENTS, BUT FACT THAT PRESS IS REPORTING
SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM GEORGETOWN AND THAT CABINET AND
PARLIAMENTARY LEADERS ARE BEING CONSULTED (SEE
PARAMARIBO 535) INDICATES THERE IS NO SUCH AGREEMENT.

GUYANESE EMBOFF FURTHER REVEALED THAT 78 GUYANESE WERE
ROUNDED UP IN SURINAM'S WESTERN NICKERIE DISTRICT ON
APRIL 13 ON GROUNDS OF BEING IN THE CONTRY ILLEGALLY
AND THAT 28 OF THESE HAVE SINCE BEEN EXPELLED TO GUYANA.
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